



**ST. TIMOTHY'S EPISCOPAL**  
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Sunday, October 26, 2025

*Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost/* Stewardship IV

10 am



EPISCOPAL CHURCH, HERNDON, VA.

### Weekly Services

Sunday, 8:00 am  
Sunday, 10:00 am

Holy Eucharist Rite I, spoken  
Holy Eucharist Rite II with Choir  
(Godly Play for ages 3–8, Sunday School for ages 9-12)

Sábado, 7:00 pm

La Santa Misa, en español

## Information For Our First-Time Guests

We invite you to fill out a Welcome Card in the pew rack in front of you or on the podium in the Narthex. Please place the completed card in the offertory plate or give it to an usher.

Children are welcome to stay with parents in the Sanctuary or they may head downstairs for Godly Play after the reading of the Collect. For your convenience, there are also rocking chairs located at the back of the sanctuary to soothe little ones and worship bags with quiet activities in the Narthex.

We invite you to share in Holy Communion. To receive, come forward and kneel/stand at an open space on the altar rail. Both bread and wine will be offered (or a rice wafer/separate chalice for those allergic to wheat/ gluten intolerant). If you do not wish to receive communion, we invite you to come forward for a blessing. Please indicate that by placing your arms across your chest.

## HOLY EUCHARIST The Word of God

### **Prelude**

*Variations on "Adoro devote"*

Dale Wood

*At the tolling of the bell, all stand.*

### **Opening Hymn (596)**

*Judge Eternal, Throned in Splendor*

Komm, O du Geist des Lebens

### **Opening Acclamation (BCP 355)**

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **Gloria (S 202 v 1-3, 8-9)**

*Glory be to God*

Healey Willan

### **Opening Collect (BCP 235) - Children may head downstairs after this reading.**

Celebrant: Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The Lessons

### A Reading from Nehemiah 8:1-3,5-6,8-10 (New King James Version)

Now all the people gathered together as one man in the open square that was in front of the Water Gate; and they told Ezra the scribe to bring the Book of the Law of Moses, which the Lord had commanded Israel. So Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly of men and women and all who could hear with understanding on the first day of the seventh month. Then he read from it in the open square that was in front of the Water Gate from morning until midday, before the men and women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the Book of the Law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. And Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God. Then all the people answered, "Amen, Amen!" while lifting up their hands. And they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read distinctly from the book, in the Law of God; and they gave the sense, and helped them to understand the reading. And Nehemiah, who was the governor, Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn nor weep." For all the people wept, when they heard the words of the Law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat, drink the sweet, and send portions to those for whom nothing is prepared; for this day is holy to our Lord. Do not sorrow, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 84:1-6

Robert Knox Kennedy

*Move to the next note of the chant on the underlined text.*



- 1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! \*  
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;  
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 2 The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; \*  
by the side of your altars O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
- 3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! \*  
they will always be praising you.
- 4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! \*  
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, \*  
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

6 They will climb from height to height, \*  
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.

### **A Reading from 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18**

I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**Sequence Hymn (571)**

*All Who Love and Serve Your City*

Charlestown

### **Holy Gospel: Luke 18:9-14**

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Sermon**

The Rev. Charles R. Cowherd

*Please stand as you are able.*

## **The Nicene Creed (BCP 358)**

**People:** We believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,**  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man;  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried;  
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,**  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*Please kneel or stand, as you are able.*

## **The Prayers of the People, Form II (BCP 385)**

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Sean, our Presiding Bishop, for Mark, our Diocesan Bishop, and for Charles; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people  
Pray for the church.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.  
Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.  
Pray for those in any need or trouble.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.  
Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the families of the departed.  
Pray for the families of those who have died.

*Silence*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.  
Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

*Silence*

Blessed are you, Lord, who through your Son gave us a marvelous example of charity and the great commandment of love for one another. Send down your blessings on your servants who labor in government, who so generously devote themselves to helping others. Grant them courage when they are afraid, wisdom when they must make decisions, strength when they are weary, and compassion in all their work. In these trials and tribulations, grant them the peace that passes all understanding and allow them the patience and courage to continue to faithfully serve you in their neighbor. **Amen.**

*Silence*

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **Confession of Sin (BCP 360)**

Celebrant:           Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**All:                   Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

### **Absolution (BCP 360)**

Celebrant:           Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

*Please stand.*

## **The Peace (BCP 360)**

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And also with you.**

## **Welcome, Announcements, & Stewardship Moment**

### **Offertory Sentence**

### **The Offering**

### **Choral Anthem**

*Blessed Are the Pure in Heart*

Henry Walford Davies

Blessed are the pure in heart,  
For they shall see our God:  
the secret of the Lord is theirs,  
their soul is Christ's abode.

Still to the lowly soul  
he doth himself impart,  
and for his cradle and his throne  
chooseth the pure in heart.

*Text by John Keble (1792-1866)*

*Music by Henry Walford Davies (1869-1941)*

*Please stand as you are able.*

### **Presentation Hymn (11 v4)**

*Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*

Morning Hymn

## **Holy Communion – Eucharistic Prayer A (BCP 361)**

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

### **Sanctus (S 114)**

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

Healey Willan

*Please kneel or stand, as you are able.*

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All: Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

*The bread is broken. Silence is kept.*

**Fraction Anthem (WLP 865)**

*Christ our Passover*

Thaddeus Cavuoti

*(The choir will sing the antiphon first, then the congregation.)*

## The Invitation (BCP 364)

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## Administration of Communion

### Communion Hymn (314)

*Humbly I Adore Thee*

Adoro devote

*Please kneel or stand, as you are able.*

### Postcommunion Prayer (BCP 366)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**All: Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

### Closing Hymn (680)

*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

St. Anne

### Dismissal (BCP 366)

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### Postlude

*Toccata from "Suite Gothique"*

Léon Boëllmann

*Flowers are given by John Tagnesi & Hugo Lembert*

*In memory of our deceased family members*

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## STEWARDSHIP CONTINUES!

This is the final weekend of our Stewardship Campaign, as we continue to celebrate the shared gifts of time, talent and treasure in our St. Timothy's family. A letter was sent from the church asking you to fill out a pledge card for 2026. If you did not receive a pledge card, please contact the church office. **You may mail or drop off your pledge cards to the church office at any time.**

## PRAYER LIST:

*(Please email [careteam@saint-timothys.org](mailto:careteam@saint-timothys.org) with any prayer concerns.)*

**Rest of the Soul:** Clarissa Adelsbach, Roe Allison, Cindy Gunn, Richard Marion McGrath (John McGrath's Uncle)

**Health:** Deb Angerman (breast cancer), Peter Hwoschinsky, Maeva Bayfield, Sally Stanley, Evan Henry (son of Sylvia Henry, appendicitis), Jeanne Rick, Gloria Taylor, Steph Shea, Peggy McCarthy

**Long Term:** Sid, Maryanne, Chris W., Donna W., Chris, Chuck and Peggy, Catherine Hutcheon (Long Covid), David & Mabel Tettyfio (stroke, arthritis, hip pain), Brian Law, Jane Perry, Jerry Vandenberg, Chris Connelly (Barb Kimmel's brother, severe depression), Barb Benson (Parkinson's), Eric Benson (heart failure), Elizabeth Martinson, Cecelia Kimble (Shon Beury's mother), Philly Hoffman (kidney cancer), Marie Fernandez, Ed Patterson (brain tumor), Dick Joyce, Mike Delacy and Arnie Goldman (friends of Ron Boggio)

## THIS WEEK at ST. TIMOTHY'S

### Sunday, October 26 – LINK Food Drive

8:00 AM Rite I Holy Eucharist – Sanctuary

9:00 AM Sunday Adult Forum – Gospel of Luke

9:15 AM Adult Choir Warm-up – Music Room

10:00 AM Rite II Holy Eucharist – Sanctuary/Livestream

### Monday, October 27

12:15 PM Step into Recovery – AA

7:00 PM Hope For Today – Al Anon

8:30 PM Monday Night Milkshake Group – AA

### Tuesday, October 28

9:30 AM Staff Meeting – Conference Room

7:00 PM Vestry Meeting – Conference Room

### Wednesday, October 29

4:00 PM DanceWorx - Narthex

### Thursday, October 30

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal – Music Room/Sanctuary

7:00 PM Debtors Anonymus

### Friday, October 31

No Events

### Saturday, November 1

9:00 AM Altar Guild Set-Up – Sanctuary

1:00 PM Showalter Wedding – Sanctuary/Henry Hall

7:00 PM La Santa Misa – Sanctuary

## LINK FALL FOOD DRIVE – Today!

Today is the final collection day for our LINK and members of the Service Ministry will be in the Narthex after each service to assist.

## SUNDAY ADULT FORUM – Today! (Sanctuary & via livestream)

Join us today for the first part of a 3-part series on the Gospel of Luke. You will hear from Ron Boggio about how the 3<sup>rd</sup> Gospel comforts and challenges us in these trying times. Upcoming dates are (Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> & Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>)

## SHAWL MINISTRY AFGHAN BLANKET RAFFLE

The Shawl Ministry is raffling a beautiful Afghan blanket, with the drawing on November 15<sup>th</sup>. The blanket will be on display in the Narthex and you purchase tickets after the 8 & 10 am services.

## 3rd QUARTER STATEMENTS

Statements are available in the Narthex. If you need yours mailed or emailed, please contact the church office at [office@saint-timothys.org](mailto:office@saint-timothys.org).



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### **COFFE HOUR TODAY: after the 10 AM service**

In preparation for the November 18th Grand Opening of the Elden Street location, come see what all the buzz is about as Chicken Salad Chick sponsors our Coffee Hour after the 10 AM service!

New location opening up in Herndon, and we will have three flavors to sample: Classic Carol, Fancy Nancy, and then Jalapeno Holly.

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